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SEARCH FOR GUIDED MISSILE ACTIVITY AND ITEMS OF INTELLIGENCE INTEREST ALONG THE IZVESTKOVYY-CHEGDOMYN RAILROAD IN THE SOVIET FAR EAST

The Izvestkovyy (48-59N 131-33E)-Chegdomyn (51-10N 133-05E) railroad (Route 547) leads north from the Trans-Siberian railroad approximately 150 nautical miles west of Khabarovsk.

The northern two-thirds of this 366 km railroad was covered by excellent quality KEYHOLE photography on Approximately one-third of this area had been covered by TALENT photography in March 1958.

The southern one-third of this railroad has not been covered by recent available photography, except for a few miles in the vicinity of the rail junction at Izvestkovyy.

The photography of the area was compared and studied primarily to locate and describe any unidentified, unusual installations that might possibly be related to guided missile activity and also to locate and identify items of intelligence significance.

In the approximately 5,000-square-nautical-mile area covered by the accompanying photomosaic, no unidentified, unusual installations were observed that appeared to bear any relation to the Soviet guided missile program.

Items of intelligence interest were observed at the following locations. They are numbered to correspond to the numbers on the accompanying photomosaic.

LOCATION

1. SREDNIY URGAL

ITEM

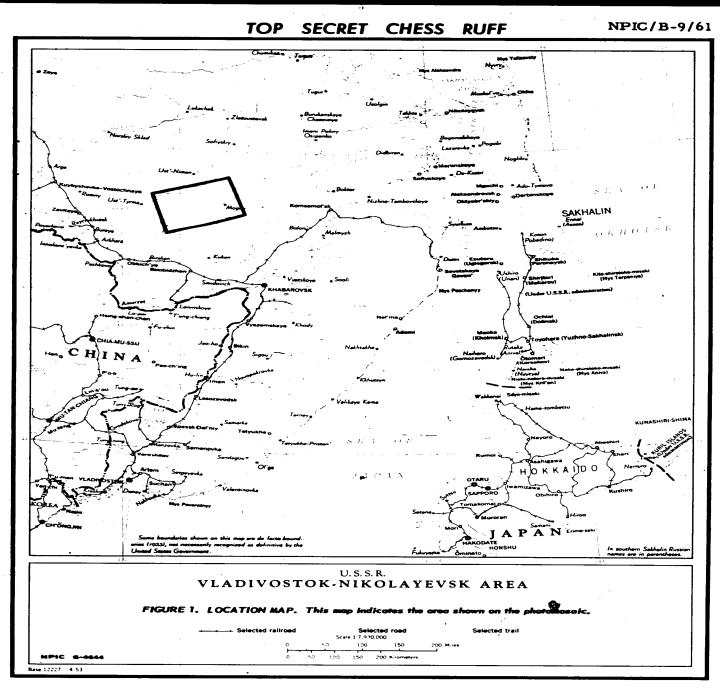
Civil airfield with sod surface landing area, 4,000 by 1,000 feet (see SAC DPIR-C28-58, May 58, TSC).

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